

**Issue**

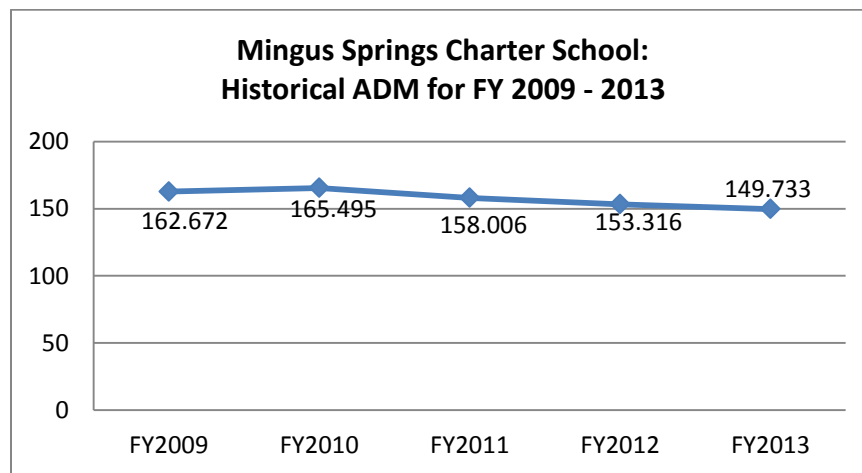
Mingus Springs Charter School, Inc. failed to submit a required Demonstration of Sufficient Progress by its deadline date of May 8, 2013.

**Background**

Pursuant to A.R.S. §15-183(R), in implementing its oversight and administrative responsibilities for the charter schools it sponsors, the Board has developed a performance framework that includes the academic performance expectations of a charter holder and the measurement of sufficient progress toward the academic performance expectation. Charter holders, with a Performance Management Plan incorporated in the renewal contract, are monitored in subsequent years in accordance with the intervention process outlined in Appendix C of the Board's Academic Performance Framework and Guidance.

As part of the academic performance intervention process, on February 8, 2013, Board staff notified Mingus Springs Charter School, Inc. of their requirement to submit a Demonstration of Sufficient Progress.

Mingus Springs Charter School, Inc. operates one school serving grades K-8. Mingus Springs Charter School, Inc.'s renewal request was approved by the Board July 12, 2010. Because the charter holder did not meet the Board's level of adequate academic performance, the charter holder was required to submit a Performance Management Plan as a part of the renewal process. The graph below shows the charter holder's actual 100th day average daily membership (ADM) for fiscal years 2009-2013.



A dashboard representation of academic outcomes for Mingus Springs Charter School, Inc., based upon the indicators and measures adopted by the Board, is provided below. The overall rating for Mingus Springs Charter School was 45.9375 including points received for the FY 2012 letter grade of C as reported by the Arizona Department of Education.

# Academic Performance Rating FY 2012

Charter Holder: Mingus Springs Charter School, Inc.  
Entity ID 4493

Charter School: Mingus Springs Charter School  
Entity ID 6133, Grades K-8

## 1. Growth

Traditional Elementary		1a. SGP		1b. SGP Bottom 25%	
School	School Year	Math	Read	Math	Read
Mingus Springs Charter School	2011-2012	39	42	38	43
Points Assigned		25	50	50	50
Weight		12.5	12.5	12.5	12.5

## 2. Proficiency

Traditional Elementary		2a. Percent Passing		2b. Composite School Comparison		2c. Subgroup ELL		2c. Subgroup FRL		2c. Subgroup SPED	
School	School Year	Math	Read	Math	Read	Math	Read	Math	Read	Math	Read
Mingus Springs Charter School	2011-2012	48/64	72/77	16.4	-5.5	NR	NR	46/54	74/69	20/27	27/38
Points Assigned		50	50	25	50	0	0	50	75	50	50
Weight		7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	0	0	3.75	3.75	3.75	3.75

## 3. State Accountability & Overall Rating

Traditional Elementary		3a. State Accountability	Overall Rating
School	School Year	Grade	
Mingus Springs Charter School	2011-2012	50	45.9375
Points Assigned		50	
Weight		5	100

Overall Rating	Point Range
Exceeds Standard	> or = to 89
Meets Standard	< 89, but > or = to 63
Does Not Meet Standard	< 63, but > or = to 39
Needs Further Improvement	< 39

Additional information regarding the Academic Framework can be found at <http://www.asbcs.ar.gov/>

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## Board Options

Option 1: The Board may approve withholding 10% of the charter holder's monthly state aid apportionment. Staff has provided the following language for consideration: I move to find that Mingus Springs Charter School, Inc. failed to meet or demonstrate sufficient progress toward the Board's academic performance expectations set forth in the performance framework pursuant to ARS 15-183.I(3) and approve the withholding of 10% of the charter holder's monthly State aid apportionment until a completed Demonstration of Sufficient Progress document has been submitted.

Option 2: The Board may vote to issue a Notice of Intent to Revoke the charter holder's charter contract. Staff has provided the following language for consideration: I move to issue a Notice of Intent to Revoke the charter of Mingus Springs Charter School, Inc. on the basis of its failure to meet or demonstrate sufficient progress toward the Board's academic performance expectations set forth in the performance framework pursuant to ARS 15-183.I(3).

I further move that:

- Within 48 hours of receipt of the Notice the charter operator shall notify staff and parents/guardians of registered students of the Notice of Intent to Revoke and the Notice of Hearing and provide a school location where the copy may be reviewed;
- Within 20 days of receipt of the Notice the charter operator shall provide copies of all correspondence and communications used to comply with the preceding provision; and
- Within 20 days of receipt of the Notice the charter operator shall provide the Board with the names and mailing addresses of parents/guardians of all students registered with the school.

Option 3: The Board may choose to withhold 10% of the charter holder's monthly State aid apportionment and to issue a Notice of Intent to Revoke the charter holder's charter contract. Staff recommends the following language for consideration: I move to find that Mingus Springs Charter School, Inc. failed to meet or demonstrate sufficient progress toward the Board's academic performance expectations set forth in the performance framework pursuant to ARS 15-183.I(3) and approve the withholding of 10% of the charter holder's monthly State aid apportionment until a completed Demonstration of Sufficient Progress document has been submitted.

Additionally, I move to issue a Notice of Intent to Revoke the charter of Mingus Springs Charter School, Inc. on the basis of its failure to meet or demonstrate sufficient progress toward the Board's academic performance expectations set forth in the performance framework pursuant to ARS 15-183.I(3).

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